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§15–148.

(a) Except for a drug or device for which the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has issued a black box warning, the Program and the Maryland Children’s Health Program may not apply a prior authorization requirement for a contraceptive drug or device that is:

- (1)
 - (i) An intrauterine device; or
 - (ii) An implantable rod;
- (2) Approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration; and
- (3) Obtained under a prescription written by an authorized prescriber.

(b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Program and the Maryland Children’s Health Program shall provide coverage for a single dispensing to an enrollee of a supply of prescription contraceptives for a 6-month period.

(2) Paragraph (1) of this subsection does not apply to the first 2-month supply of prescription contraceptives dispensed to an enrollee under:

- (i) The initial prescription for the contraceptives; or
- (ii) Any subsequent prescription for a contraceptive that is different than the last contraceptive dispensed to the enrollee.

(c) The Program and the Maryland Children’s Health Program shall provide coverage for services rendered to an enrollee by a licensed pharmacist under § 12–511 of the Health Occupations Article, to the same extent as services rendered by any other licensed health care practitioner, in screening an enrollee and prescribing contraceptives for the enrollee.

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